

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

Public Law 336 of the 101st Congress, enacted July 26, 1990

"...a clear and comprehensive national mandate for the elimination of discrimination against individuals with disabilities."

RIDOT is fully committed to ADA implementation as part of:

new construction projects

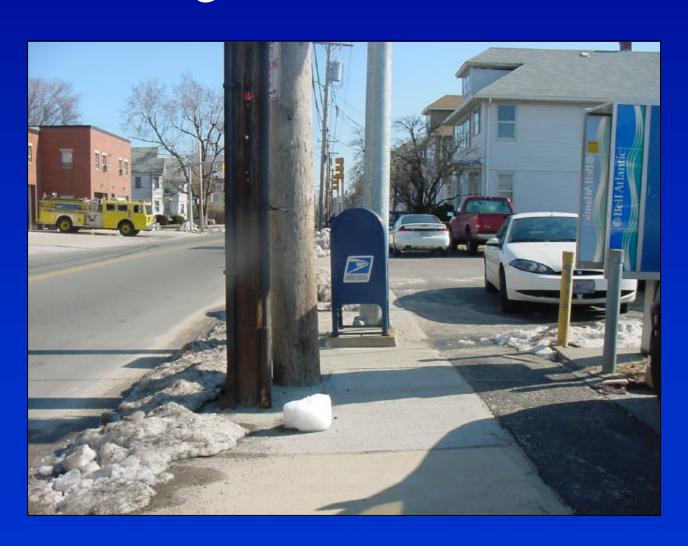


reconstruction projects

dedicated ADA projects



Many RI sidewalks offer unnecessary challenges to disabled users.



RIDOT's ADA Program

- Statewide inventory of ADA needs
- Computerized database of ADA needs
- Work with Governor's Commission on Disabilities to establish ADA priorities
- Identify and develop funding sources
- Design and construct improvements:

As separate ADA projects

As attachments to other road/bridge projects

ADA Program Example



WEST MAIN ROAD, MIDDLETOWN

ADA Program Example



CHARLES STREET, PROVIDENCE

ADA Program Example



MEMORIAL BOULEVARD, NEWPORT

RIDOT's ADA Program

- Three on-going design study contracts
 - Providence County
 - •East Bay / Washington County South
 - Washington County North/Kent County
- Four completed ADA Projects
- Nine ADA projects currently in development
- All other design and construction projects now include ADA improvements

ADA Program Accomplishments 2002



Over 800 new wheelchair ramps,

2 miles of handicapped accessible bikeway,



Over 140,000 linear feet of accessible sidewalk.

Anticipated ADA Activities

- Under Construction
 - Pawtucket Avenue, East Providence
 - Mineral Spring Avenue, North Providence
 - Willett Avenue, East Providence/Barrington
- Under Design
 - Park Avenue, Portsmouth
 - Route 2, Charlestown
 - Bald Hill Road, Warwick
 - West Shore Road, Warwick
 - South Main Street, Providence
 - New London Avenue, Cranston

Anticipated ADA Activities

RIDOT's proposed ADA, construction, and reconstruction projects will provide over 20 miles of ADA improvements in 2003.



